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# 3 Rewald Defense Witnesses Won't Testify

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Three defense witnesses will not be testifying in the Ronald Rewald fraud trial because they apparently are concerned they will be the target of future prosecution.

Jacqueline Vos, a Rewald secretary, was prepared to take the stand yesterday morning, but by the afternoon had decided that she would invoke her Fifth Amendment right not to testify. She said she felt the government had intimidated her.

Ironically, while Vos was deciding not to testify, U.S. Judge Harold Fong decided that he would not allow her to take the stand anyway.

The controversy concerns statements Vos gave after the fall of Bishop, Baldwin, Rewald, Dillingham & Wong about company files. She told the grand jury in August 1983 that she had not seen records outside of the Bishop, Baldwin offices, even though she had gone over some records with two men after the collapse.

She later went to the FBI and said she had not told the truth to the grand jury because the two men had threatened her

and she was scared.

VOS SAID yesterday she was afraid she would be prosecuted for lying to the grand jury should she now go into court and say she had seen some records outside the company offices.

Vos claims that she was called by Robert Allen, a Rewald associate, and another man after the collapse and asked to go over some files of investors. The whereabouts of those files are unknown.

Allen, a businessman, if called to testify would say that it was Vos who had the files and that she contacted him, according to sources close to the case. He is listed as a defense witness, but Deputy Federal Public Defender Brian Tamanaha said he might not be called because Vos will not testify.

Rewald's defense attorneys also have been told that Rewald's former office manager, Sue Wilson, and consultant Robert Jinks have said they will invoke the Fifth Amendment if called to testify.

Jinks is under investigation in California for his financial dealings in Napa, including his handling of some Bishop, Baldwin

money.

Wilson, who has been called Rewald's "right-hand man" signed many of the Bishop, Baldwin checks and was closely involved with the flow of funds in and out of the company.

DEFENSE ATTORNEYS yesterday continued to try to show the jury that CIA involvement in Rewald's company was more than the agency admits.

Rewald's former chauffeur, Franklin Kipilili, testified he once picked up Stansfield Turner, then CIA director, at the Honolulu Airport on Rewald's orders.

Kipilili said Rewald first told him to pick up Jack Rardin, the head of the CIA field office here. He said he then took Rardin and his wife to the airport, where they picked up Turner and his wife and drove them to an interisland terminal.

Kipilili also said he drove CIA agent Charles Richardson and former CIA field office chief Jack Kinschi around in the Rewald limousine. Kipilili said he invested money in Rewald's company because he thought the company was associated with the CIA.

"The icing on the cake" that

the CIA was involved, Kipilili said, was Turner's involvement.

KIPILILI HAS said in other statements that he drove Rewald to Hickam Air Force Base with Gen. Arnold Braswell to meet Vice President George Bush. Rewald's attorneys did not ask Kipilili about that incident.

Also yesterday, Gardel Simpson, honorary vice consul for Indonesia, testified he had suggested that Rewald be made honorary consul to that country when there was an opening.

The unofficial position would have allowed Rewald to meet Indonesian government officials and dignitaries from other countries, Simpson said.

Simpson made the recommendation because the current consul was planning to retire and Simpson feared he would lose his position. Simpson said Pacific Resources Inc. currently pays for the office but said Rewald would have taken over the expenses had he been named to the post.

Rewald, also charged with perjury and tax evasion, claims his company was set up by the CIA. He says he worked for the CIA, establishing ties with influential people, including international businessmen.